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Mr. Vernon A. Williams Secretary Surface Transportation Board Washington, D.C. 20423

Dear Mr. Williams:

Enclosed for recordation pursuant to the provisions of 49 U.S.C. Section 11301(a), are five (5) copies of the following secondary document: Bill of Sale and Partial Release, dated December 20, 2003.

The enclosed document relates to the Equipment Lease and Trust Indenture (GARC Trust No. 97-3) previously filed with the Board under Recordation Number 20897.

The names and addresses of the parties to the enclosed document are:

Owner Trustee:

U.S. Bank National Association

(successor to State Street Bank and

Trust Company of Connecticut, N.A.)

225 Franklin Street

Boston, Massachusetts 02110

Indenture Trustee: Bank One Trust Company

One First National Plaza Chicago, Illinois 60670

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A description of the railroad equipment covered by the enclosed document is:

Three Railcars: GACX 006677, GACX 006774 and GACX 006832

A short summary of the document to appear in the index follows:

Bill of Sale and Partial Release

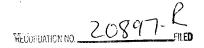
Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$30.00 payable to the order of the Surface Transportation Board covering the required recordation fee.

Kindly return stamped copies of each of the enclosed documents to the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Alvord

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BILL OF SALE AND PARTIAL RELEASE

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

U.S. Bank National Association, successor to State Street Bank and Trust Company of Connecticut, N.A., not in its individual capacity, but solely as Owner Trustee under GARC Trust 97-3 (the "Lessor") under an Equipment Lease Agreement (GARC Trust 97-3) dated as of September 24, 1997 (the "Lease") between the Lessor and General American Railcar Corporation (the "Lessee"), does hereby grant, bargain, sell, transfer, convey, assign and release to the Lessee and its successors and assigns all right, title and interest of the Lessor, in and to the railcars designated as GACX 006677, GACX 006774 and GACX 006832 (the "Units") "as is," "where is," without recourse or warranty other than a warranty against Lessor's Liens as defined in Appendix A to the Lease, and does hereby acknowledge that the lease term under the Lease with respect to the Units and the obligation of the Lessee to pay rent for such Units under the Lease has terminated.

Bank One Trust Company, NA as Trustee (the "Indenture Trustee") under a Trust Indenture and Security Agreement (GARC Trust 97-3) dated as of September 24, 1997 (the "Indenture") between the Lessor and the Indenture Trustee, hereby terminates, releases and discharges its security interest in the Units under the Indenture and hereby acknowledges that the Units are no longer subject to the Lease.

Dated: December 20, 2003

U.S. Bank National Association, successor to State Street Bank and Trust Company of Connecticut, N.A. not in its individual capacity, but solely as Owner Trustee

By:
Title:

Bank One Trust Company, NA, not in its individual capacity, but solely as Indenture Trustee

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Title:

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State of Commonwealth of Massachusetts)) SS:		
County of Suffolk)		
On the ANGLE day of Tanage , 2004, before me personally appeared he/she is a Company of U.S. Bank, National Association, successor to State Street Bank and Trust Company of Connecticut, N.A., that said instrument was signed on such date on behalf of said corporation by authority of its Board of Directors, and (s)he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said corporation.		
[Notarial Seal] Notary Public		
State of Illinois) SS: County of Cook)		
On the day of, 2004, before me personally appeared, to me known, who being by me duly sworn, says that he/she is a of Bank One Trust Company, NA that said instrument was signed on such date on behalf of said corporation by authority of its Board of Directors, and (s)he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said corporation.		
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